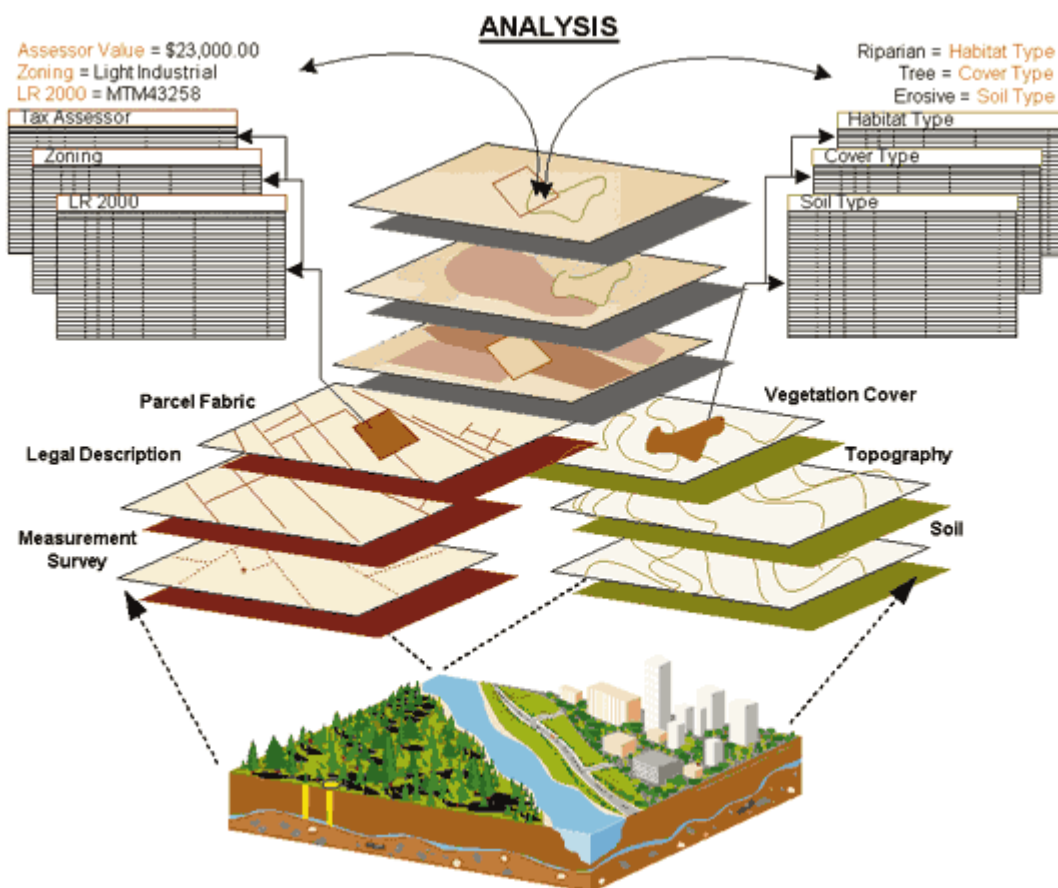


What is GIS?

Simply put, a **GIS** (Geographic Information System) combines layers of information about a place to give you a better understanding of that place. What layers of information you combine depends on your purpose - finding the best location for a management action, analyzing potential environmental damage, protecting endangered species, or planning to minimize impacts.

GIS is a **SYSTEM** of computer hardware, software, digital data, and personnel, to help manipulate, analyze and present spatial information. The personnel represent thinking explorers who are the key to the power of **GIS**.



The **GIS** staff is responsible for much of the planning, development and implementation of the Roseburg District's **GIS** spatial and attribute database.

The link below will take you to the Oregon/Washington Bureau of Land Management Regional Database:

<http://www.or.blm.gov/gis/>